

Songs for Sunday, December 12, 2021

Opening Song: Lift Up Your Heads, O Mighty Gates #176,v.1-3

1. Lift up your heads, O mighty gates: behold, the King of glory waits! The King of kings is drawing near, the Savior of the world is here.
2. Fling wide the portals of your heart: make it a temple set apart from earthly use for heaven's employ, adorned with prayer and love and joy.
3. Redeemer come! I open wide my heart to you here, Lord, abide! Let me your inner presence feel: your grace and love in me reveal.

Closing Song: What Child Is This #184, v.1-3

1. What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?
Whom angels greet with anthems sweet while shepherds watch are keeping?
This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing;
haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary!
2. Why lies he in such mean estate where ox and ass are feeding?
Good Christian, fear: for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.
Nails, spear shall pierce him through, the cross be borne for me, for you;
hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary!
3. So bring him incense, gold, and myrrh, come peasant, king, to own him;
the King of kings salvation brings, let loving hearts enthrone him.
Raise, raise the song on high, the Virgin sings her lullaby;
joy, joy for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mary!